

MINUTES OF THE
NEGRO WELFARE LEAGUE
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**CO-OPERATION KEY
TO NEGRO WELFARE**

Stressed at Meeting to Organ-
ize Local Movement at Which
100 Are Present.

LEAGUE TO TRAIN WORKERS

Secretary of National Organiza-
tion of Negroes Offers to Train New-
York Workers for Social Service
Work That Began in This City.
With Officer Craster Opposes Wini-
piska Migration from South-Midwest
to Conditions.

With co-operation of whites and
for the social uplift of the latter
in work and vicinity as the keynote,
preliminary organization meeting
of the Negro Welfare League of New
York was held yesterday afternoon
in the Board of Trade rooms. About
100 persons attended. A board of man-
agers was elected and three temporary
committees were chosen to act until a per-
manent selection is made.

James Kinsale Jones of New York,
secretary of the National League
Urban Conditions Among Negroes,
the principal colored speaker. He
stated that this organization, made
up of the most intelligent and progres-
sive element of young negroes, with
branches in many cities, both in the
North and in the South, would lend its
aid and co-operation in every desired
direction to the local movement. He also
referred to the Newark committee the
organization as a school of social ser-
vice maintained by the league in New

York. Negroes of this city, who de-
sire to devote their lives to social wel-
fare among the people of their
race, would be nominated by the
body, he said, and would be
sent for that work by the league.
Scholarships for higher
education the same profession would be
available under certain conditions.

The league, it is understood, offered
back over the local campaign and
will do it through a small committee of
familiar with such undertak-
ings. It was found impracticable
as the work was already far
advanced organization here, and
had undertaken it was not

It is possible that
the national organization
largely constituted of
which had their interest
way. Mr. Jones referred to
stability, and declared the
welcome such affiliation
any case aid the Negro
the extent of its ability.

Short talks were given by
Officer Craster, 5111, 1st
Secretary of the State House,
House Supervisor, and
Fendleton of the Bureau of
Charities. Others who took
the discussion were Rev.
Lusk, Rev. Albert N. Smith,
Rev. David M. McDonald.

The temporary address of the
Chairman, Augustus M. Jones,
president of the Board of Trade
Bureau, Arthur W. Macdonald,
of the Bureau of Agriculture,
secretary, Rev. John D. Ruther-
ford.

Dr. Craster told of the
of pneumonia cases among
race in this city, and blamed
immigration of the negro
South to this climate as the
cause of the year. He said
it was nothing about the
negro to move from that
in winter.

Mr. Beemer offered the
of the Tenant House Com-
doing away with the present
conditions in which negroes
are living at the present time.

It is hard for a colored
secure decent living apart
to the prejudice of a white
lord," asserted Mr. Beemer,
forced to seek the best
terms possible, and even
taken advantage of by white
men. The same charges
fair, and very little in
exchange for their services.

Miss Fendleton, who
signed by the chairman
in improving the condi-
tions, told of the difficul-
ties in the negro migration

"They are tired to this
said, by the negroes,
and when they get here
nothing but opposition
meets them. I have seen
all attempts in every
few exceptions the
negative employment
always were common.

John D. Beemer
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